Citizens Clean Elections Commission Executive Director Report October 27, 2005 (for 11/18/05 meeting)

Announcements

- I am continuing to meet with members of the Legislature.
- I met with the League of Women Voters at their statewide meeting.
- I will be attending the studio taping of the "Advocates" series debate on 11/16. The topic this week is Clean Elections.

Participation

• We currently have **30** participating candidates for the 2006 election cycle.

Budget

• Our Fund balance is \$24.8 million.

Voter Education

- OMA is preparing the 2006 education plan to be presented at the November 18 2005 commission meeting.
- Deadline for debate sponsorship applications was 10/31. We have received seven applications to date, with the promise of more to come from previous sponsors.
- Participating candidate workshop ads continue to run weekly in The Capitol Times and the postcards continue to be sent out on a regular basis.

Report Update

- We have filed the 5 Year Rule Review with GRRC.
- We have received the Auditor General's Final Report re: Participating Candidates. The Auditor General will be submitting the report regarding CCEC administration/internal controls later this month.

Staffing

- Michael Becker is on board and has hit the ground running as our Voter Education Mgr.
- We are excited that Christina Murphy has accepted the Administrative Assistant III position with the Commission. Christina will start on Tuesday, November 29.
- We have completed advertisement of the Administrative Assistant II position. Paula and Colleen will have begun reviewing resumes by the end of this week.

Enforcement

Enforcement tracking spreadsheet will be included in the packets for more detail. Here are the updated totals:

- 2006 2 complaints filed and no action was taken. I will be reviewing the 2006 complaints as they arise.
- 2004 79 complaints total. Gene Lemon is wrapping up 2004 enforcement matters.
 - o 1 internally generated complaint under review (Dial).
 - o 2 under investigation (Cheuvront & Murphy).

- o 3 investigations complete, OAH decision issued (Smith & Murchison), Informal Settlement Conference Requested (Hammann on 11/10).
- o 72 completed and closed.